

Marketing Program

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• \$7 million in lodging tax generated in fiscal year 2012

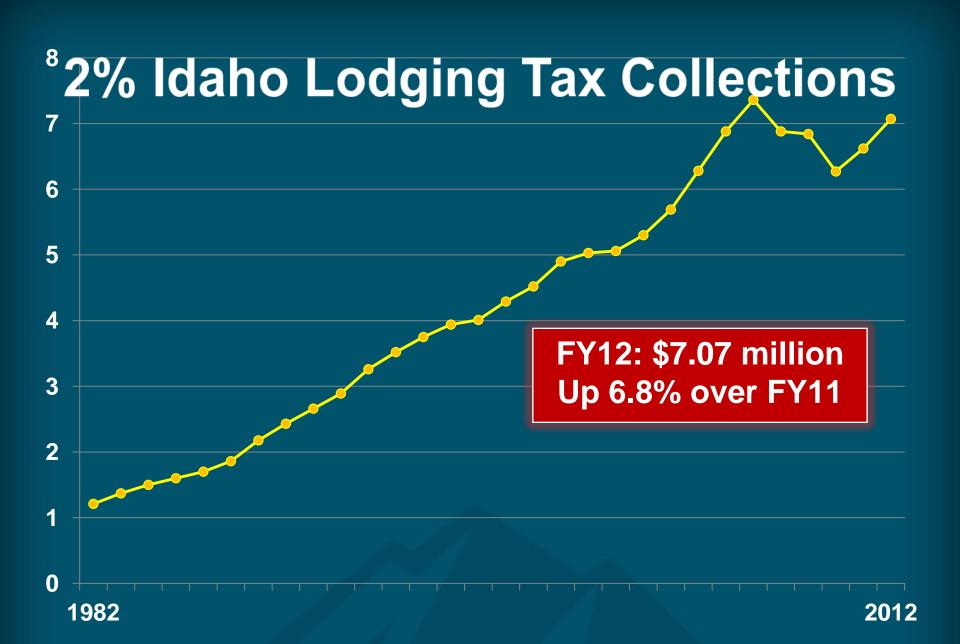
•\$2.9 million awarded in tourism marketing grants last August

•YTD collections are up 5.2%

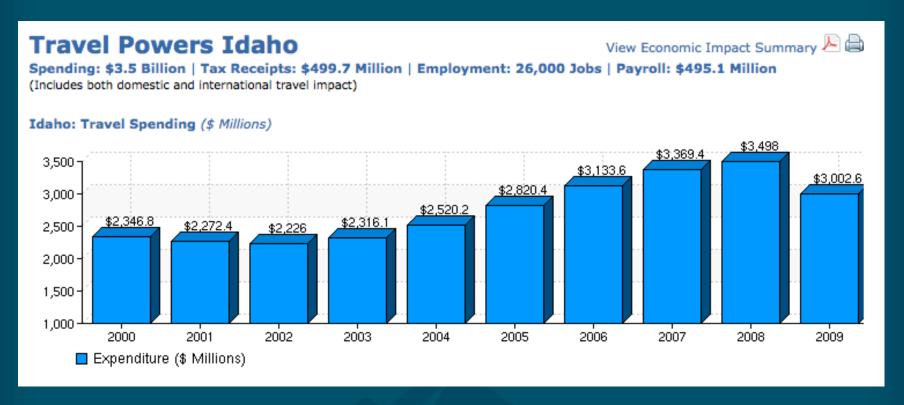


Idaho Tax Commission



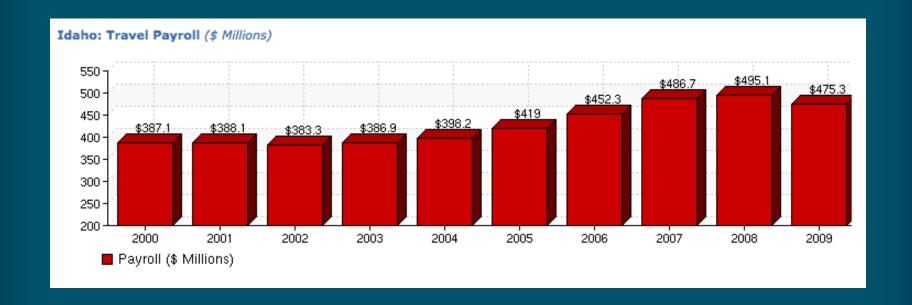






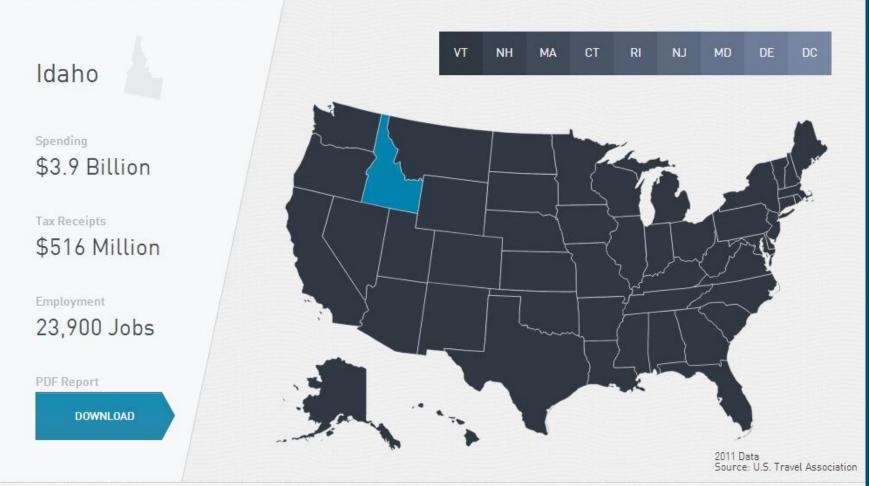
Travel Spending in Idaho, 2000-2009





Travel-related Payroll 2000-2009



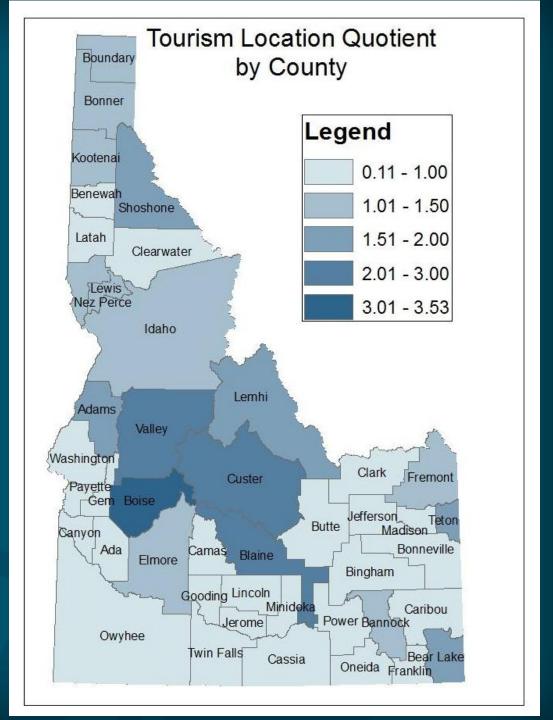




Tourism Importance by County



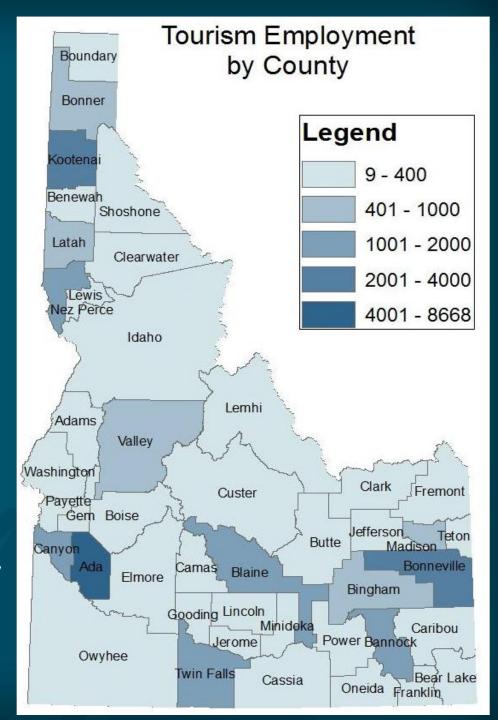
Idaho Department of Labor Fall 2011



Tourism Employment by Region



Idaho Department of Labor Fall 2011



Mission





Idaho Tourism Marketing Goals

The primary focus is on:

- building the lodging and camping base,
- marketing Idaho as a preferred travel and convention destination and,
- promoting those events and recreation activities that result in overnight visitation.





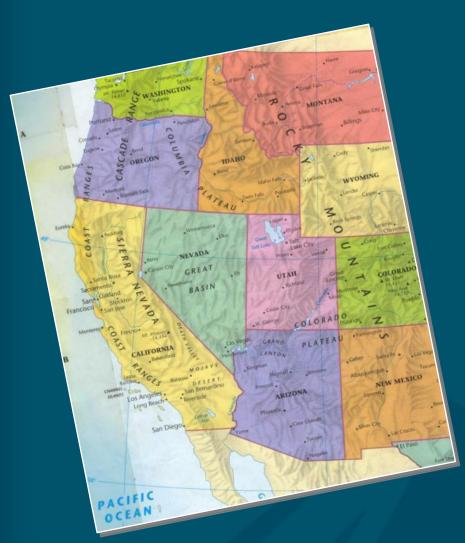
Who is the Idaho Traveler?

- Younger and female
- 74% married
- 57% college degree
- 44% management or professional career
- \$64,500 annual HHI
- 36% have children in the home



Source: DK Shifflet, 2006

Where do Idaho's visitors live?

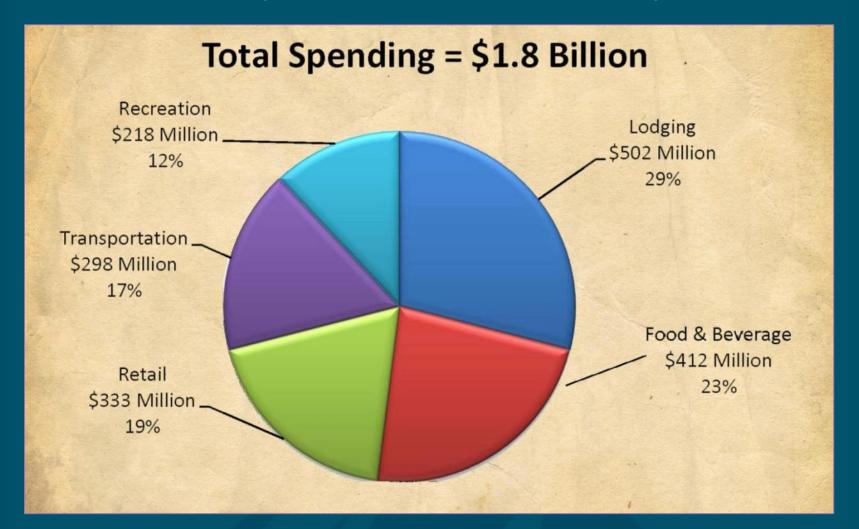


- Idaho: 35%
- Washington: 17%
- Utah: 11%
- California: 7%
- Montana: 9%
- Oregon: 4%
- International: 9%
- Other Western States: 6%
- Outside 11 Western: 6%



Source: Longwoods, 2008

How do they spend their money?





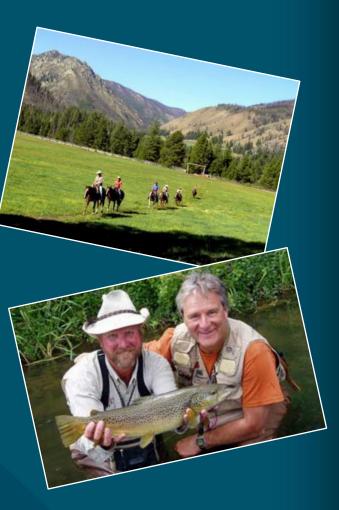
Crafting the Idaho Message

An Idaho vacation is a good value.

• It's a good destination for families with children.

 Idaho is filled with beautiful scenery: lakes, rivers, and mountains.

• Idaho's unique identity is expressed in the diversity of outdoor recreation.







Idaho's Tourism Brand



"Rustic contemporary"
Warmth
Family adventure
The magic of people and Idaho together



Idaho Travel Council Marketing Goals

- 1) Grow and sustain tourism products and infrastructure.
- 2) Award tourism grants as dictated by statute and programmatic strategies.
- 3) Identify and successfully market Idaho to potential visitors of value.
- 4) Maintain and enhance a cutting-edge, interactive website for travel consumers.
- 5) Raise awareness of Idaho's tourism attributes globally, nationally and locally through public relations.



Travel Council Marketing Goals

- 6) Market Idaho tourism internationally.
- 7) Sell Idaho as a tourism destination.
- 8) Solicit, attract and promote tourism events to and in Idaho not only for visitation but for more visibility nationally and internationally.
- 9) Develop the media production industry in Idaho by marketing locations out-of-state, providing workforce training and grant monies to support instate development of film, video and related industries.



Overall Marketing Tools for

our Campaigns

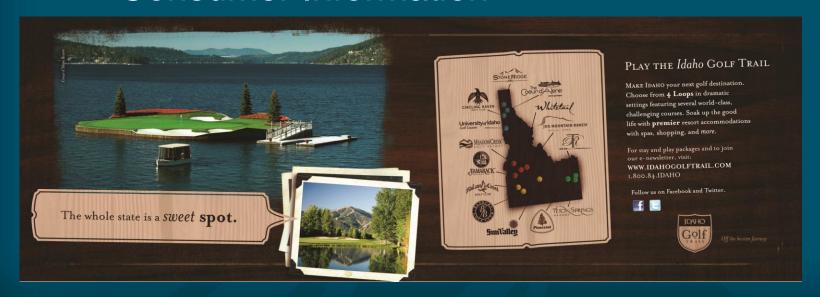
- Print Media
- Online Media
- Social Media
- Trade Shows
- Public Relations
- Admin Panel

 Edit Page
 Build Audience
 Help
 Show

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 2013
 2012
 2011
 2010
 Launched

 Visit Idaho
 23,493 likes 1613 talking about this 1624 were here

 Tourist Information
 Travel Agency
 Welcome! Share photos & experiences about Idaho and post recommendations for valuers. Cover photos: The Idaho Cub in Sandpoint. 'If Mother Nature had a second home, it
- Consumer Information





Winter Marketing Campaign

Runs November - March

 Vitamin ID campaign concept

- Season-long sweepstakes
- Sled the Rockies multi-state co-op campaign for snowmobiling





Vitamin ID Campaign









Vitamin ID Campaign



Winter Sweepstakes Web Page









2012 Mercury Award for

Best Overall Program

at ESTO









Sled the Rockies Web Page



http://www.sledtherockies.com



Major Spring Campaign: My ID

- www.visitidaho.org/myid
- Started 4/1 and runs 9/5
- Season-long sweepstakes (23 weeks)





My ID Create-A-Video Page

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http://www.visitidaho.org/my-id



My ID Postcard Page

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Video Assets: Great Idaho Getaway

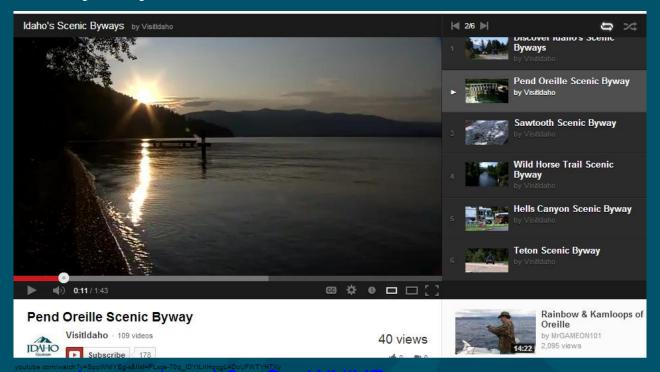


See the video at: www.greatidahogetaway.org



Video Assets Marketing

- Continuing use of GIG videos plus footage from IPTV
- YouTube Channel: YouTube.com/visitidaho
- Scenic Byways and Idaho: The Movie





<u> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SppWNiYEd</u>

Print Marketing Avenues

 Magazine Ads – Family, Boomer and Adventurer demographic groups

Travel Guide & Brochures

Integrated Media (FSI)

Editorial



AFFORDABLE ADVENTURES

Welcome to

Prime Season Magazine Ads



The Family Market

Run: March-June

Typical ads: 2-page spread, full-page, and 1/6th directory ads:

Typical publications:

- Sunset
- Seattle Magazine
- Seattle Met
- Outdoors NW



Prime Season Magazine Ads:



Boomer Market

Run: March-June

Typical ads: full-page

Typical publications:

- Via ID/WA
- Swerve/Avenue (Canada)
- AAA Tourbook
- NW Cyclist
- NW Travel
- Western Journeys



Spring Newspaper Insert (FSI)



Run: May 19, 2013

8 pages reaching

- Seattle/Tacoma
- Spokane
- Ogden, SLC
- Boise
- Portland
- Tri Cities
- Sacramento/East Bay

515,000 inserts



Online Marketing www.visitidaho.org



Complete searchable databases of:

- Communities
- Lodging
- Attractions
- Festivals & Events
- Photos
- Blog
- Rotating Promos
 Coming soon:
- Hear Idaho
- Coupon Page
- GIS Map System

Data stored at: updateidaho.com - serving data to 12 Idaho web sites, including Idaho Parks and regional sites.





Prime Season Online Ads:

Outdoor Family Adventurer Market

Run: March-June

Typical ads: 728 x 90, 300 x 250, 300 x 600, 160 x 600

Typical sites:

- TripAdvisor
- Pandora
- AllTrails.com



Online Marketing

Search Engines:

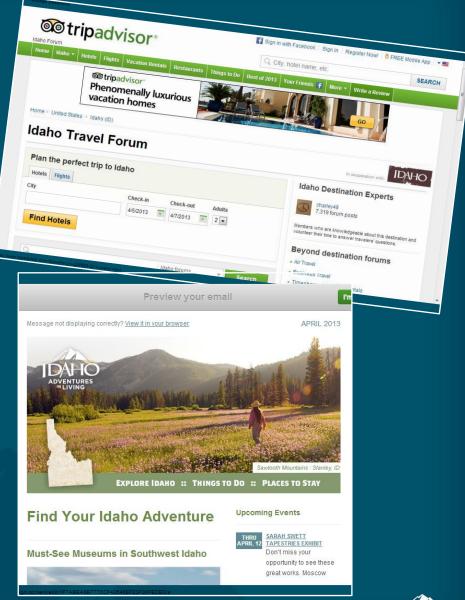
Keyword buys on Google

Content sites:

- iExplore.com
- OnTheSnow.com
- TripAdvisor.com
- Pandora.com

Consumer Newsletter:

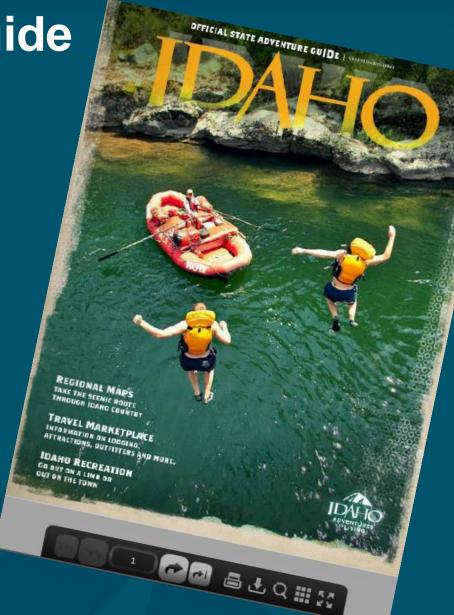
- Adventures in Living
- 27,000+ subscribers





Digital Travel Guide

Flip-book styine of complete travel guide.





Travel Guide & Brochures



Travel Guide: each January

Other brochures published as needed:

- Highway Map
- Golf Trail Brochure
- Whitewater Brochure
- Children's Brochure



Social Marketing

















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RMI Roundup in Boise April 10-12, 2013





Idaho International Success Stories



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2012 International Media Value

TOTAL - \$10,414,560 +





Sports Marketing

- Ski and Snowmobile
- Biking
- Rafting & Kayaking
- Golfing
- Sports Events









Sports Marketing

Idaho Golf Trail

- Circling Raven
- CdA Resort
- StoneRidge
- U of I

Idaho Whitewater Trail







Davis Cup April 7-9, 2013

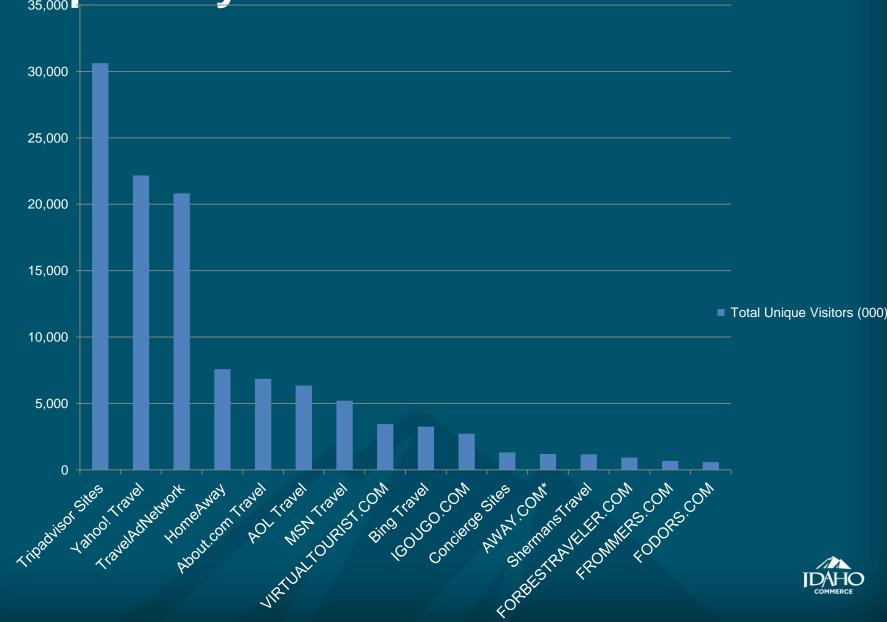




A Little Market Intelligence



Popularity of Travel Web Sites



Marketing Results

2012 Top 10 Publication Request Sources

- YellowstonePark.com
- All Search Engines
- visitidaho.org
- TravelInformation.com
- National Geographic Traveler
- Go-Idaho.com
- Another web site
- Good Housekeeping
- Great Getaways Guide
- Web Advertising



Marketing Results:

How do people find VisitIdaho.org?

2012 Top 10 Referral Pages

- Google search
- Direct (know url, typed it in)
- Bing
- Yahoo
- Google (Cost per Click)
- Idaho.gov
- Google.com referral
- AOL
- Facebook referral
- Ask



Marketing Results: What information are they looking for?

2012 Top 10 visitidaho.org Pages

- Home Page
- Free Publications
- Things to Do
- My ID
- Maps
- Photos
- Natural Attractions
- Facts about Idaho
- Moving to Idaho
- Whitewater





Connect with us . . . market with us.

- Consumer web site: www.visitidaho.org
- Supplier listing updates: www.updateidaho.com
- Supplier resources: www.tourism.idaho.gov
- Twitter and Facebook @visitidaho
- Idaho Conference on Recreation and Tourism Idaho Falls, May 7-9, 2013



Thank you for supporting Tourism in Idaho.







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